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In re Patent Application of:
Masaaki Nagatsu

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For: **MICROWAVE PLASMA STERILIZING
METHOD AND DEVICE**

Examiner: S. U. Kim

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated July 13, 2009, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 7 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 10 of this paper.